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SUBJECT           Wismut A.G. Plant near Bruenlasberg

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1. A gang of between 60 to 80 Soviet soldiers per shift work at the ore mill, of the Wismut AG near Oberschlema. In addition four men are assigned to each of the trucks operating for the plant. Work is done in two shifts, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m., while night work is done only in exceptional cases and only in the mill itself.
2. The average amount of ore arriving daily is 50 to 60 truckloads. All the ore is shipped out as "Masse packed". The shipments are packed in cardboard barrels, 30 centimeters in diameter and about 50 centimeters high, painted gray and varnished. The containers and their covers are supplied separately. After being filled, the covers are pressed on the containers by hand. It can not be determined where the barrels come from. All the ore shipped comes from the pits (Schürfen) near Luc, Oberschlema or Niederschlema.
3. The ore arrives in large open cans loaded on trucks. The trucks go as far as the sorting plant, where the tin cans are urged into cans which carry the ore to the sorting plant, where it is tested with appropriate instruments. The cans are then forwarded to ore elevators according to their quality and lifted to the upper section of the sorting plant, where the ore is dumped and stored separately according to grades. The material remains there until the particular quality is removed for processing. After being processed the ore is packed into cardboard barrels as described above. This is done in the packing and storage building. The barrels are then loaded on trucks on a ramp and sent to the railroad station.

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